GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:297
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IMPORT OF EDIBLE OIL AT KARWAR PORT
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to recent notice of his Ministry dated 2.5.2001 and 8.5.2001 only some ports have been permitted to import certain items including edible oil;

(b) whether not a single minor ports under the jurisdiction of Karnataka Government has been included in the list mentioned above even though the State has several ports like Karwar Port, Mangalore Port. etc.,;

(c) if so, whether the Karnataka Government has urged the Union Government to include `Karwar all weather Port` in the list of ports allowed to import edible oil; and

(d) if so, the decision of the Union Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (d) : Port restrictions on 300 sensitive items, including edible oils, were imposed vide notification no. 11 (RE-2001)/97-2002 dated 2.5.2001 and vide notification no. 12(RE-2001)/97-2002 dated 8.5.2001. These restrictions were introduced for the purpose of expeditious collection of import data, subsequent to removal of import restrictions. However, after taking into consideration the inconvenience caused, these restrictions were withdrawn vide notification no. 13 (RE-2001)/97-2002 dated 21.5.2001